The Smart Current Interrupter for today's CP systems



Smart Interrupter SI220

High performance, solid-state Current Interrupter for pipeline Cathodic Protection monitoring



High voltage and current capability

For today's Cathodic Protection (CP) systems – reliable surveying of older and longer pipes

GPS synchronizing

Evaluation of complex CP networks by allowing multiple units to be used at any one time

Solid state switching

Reliable switching capability with no moving parts for improved reliability and durability

Advanced safety features

Transient & overload protected – effective heat dissipation even at elevated temperatures

SI220 Smart Interrupter: Advanced preventative maintenance tool for extending the life of buried metal pipes for the gas and oil industry

In the gas and oil industry infrastructure integrity is paramount in order to maintain vital supplies to industry. Unplanned downtime caused by corrosion is costly in terms of business impact and also carries potential risks to the environment. Knowing the status of the buried structures and their associated Cathodic Protection (CP) systems is therefore key in any pro-active maintenance regime.

By placing a characteristic signature on pipes, the SI220 enables the corrosion engineer to routinely determine the level of corrosion activity on the pipeline or metallic structure being surveyed. Through simple interruption of the flow of current and observation of the current and voltage readings at the CP station, the efficiency of the cathodic protection on the network can be quickly determined.

Building on the proven field success, reliability and ease of use of its SI100 sister range of products, the SI220 enables switching in a CP system of high levels of current at higher levels of voltage. This allows older, more problematic pipes and longer runs of infrastructure to be routinely inspected for integrity of the anti-corrosion coating. In addition the Radiodetection GPS synchronization system allows multiple units to be installed enabling more complex pipeline systems to be surveyed. For improved field durability and reliability over traditional relay style systems the SI220 incorporates solid state switching technology.

The SI220 can act as a stand-alone interrupter with third party data loggers to measure and record CP system voltage potentials. When used with other Radiodetection products such as the Stray Current Mapper (SCM) or Precision Pipeline Location (PPL) systems, advanced warning of potential corrosion problems can be identified early on providing support or even enabling preventative maintenance regimes on these valuable assets to be established.

With simple installation and setup at the CP station and housed in a field rugged casing the SI220 is the professional choice for oil and gas corrosion engineers.

High voltage and current capability

Higher voltage and current switching up to 220V rectified peak at 100A for surveying of older and more congested buried pipe networks.

GPS synchronizing

Utilizes GPS synchronization for surveying of complex of networks using multiple SI220 units over extended periods. This enables the effects of more complex pipeline protection systems incorporating multiple CP systems to be evaluated.

Solid state switching

High power semiconductor devices provide a nonmechanical method for CP switching delivering improved reliability and durability.

Advanced safety features

- Red LED on the booster pack to indicate reverse polarity connection.
- Integral protection against over-voltage and current surges caused by switching at the CP station.
- Efficient and effective heat dissipation even with high external ambient temperatures.



POWERFUL, EASY TO USE CONTROL FUNCTIONS



ROBUST CONNECTION TO CPS (CROCODILE CLIPS OPTIONS)



CARRY CASE INCLUDED



GPS TIME SYNCHRONIZATION OF MULTIPLE UNITS



10/SN2786-BP

10/SN2900

Controller and Booster configuration

Covers range of switching loads

High voltage and current capability

155Vrms / 220Vpk 100A

Base Unit

Simple user interface Menu selected switching patterns

Booster Unit

100 Amp switching cool running

Switching capacity:

Max Switching Current = 100A.

Max Switching Voltage = 220Vpeak / 155Vrms.

Supply:

Requires 2 x 1.5V Alkaline D Cells, Duracell LR20/D (or equivalent).

Battery Life:

300 hours @ 20 degrees C (Battery life can be extended, Auxiliary power from the CP system via 4mm shrouded sockets on the side of the base unit, if above 5Vrms open circuit).

Auxiliary (optional) Supply:

Min Aux Voltage = 5Vrms.

Max Aux Voltage = 220Vpeak / 155Vrms.

Protection:

Class II double insulated. Thermal (software and hardware) and over voltage protection. Over current protection via thermal switches. Lightning related surge and spike.

Connection Outputs:

2 cables (CP Auxiliary power, CP switched) Customer lugs (Crocodile clips as option).

Switching Patterns:

On/Off Time 0-100s (0.1sec increments to 10secs) Unit saves history of last ten patterns. Last pattern used selected at power on. SCM and Precision Pipe Locator signals.

Synchronization:

Via GPS synchronization (as standard): +/- 4ms.

24hr Timer:

Programmable On/Off timer repeats every 24hrs.

Microcontroller:

Controls keyboard inputs, LCD functions, non-volatile storage, USB I/O and FET switching.

User Interface:

2 line by 16 character LCD, alpha numeric and special character display. Automatic backlight.

Keypad:

User input via 9 key membrane keypad.

■ Software Upgrades:

Via USB interface.

■ Dimensions & weight (base unit):

Size 12" (300mm) x 6" (150mm) x 3" (80mm), Weight 2.5kg (5.5lb).

Dimensions & weight (booster unit):

10" (255mm) x 10" (255mm) x 9.6" (216mm), Weight 13.3kg (29lb).

Environmental Protection:

IP65 rain and dust resistant. Note that if the unit is to be used in heavy storm conditions then it should be suitably covered.

Ambient Operating Temperature:

-14°F (-20°C) to 140°F (60°C).

Reverse Polarity:

Indication of reverse polarity via a red LED on Booster pack.

Construction:

Housing high impact plastic. Fire retardant.

Compliance:

EC Directive 2004/108/EC, 73/23/EEC FCC Part CFR Part 15 EN61010-1: 2001 UL61010-1: 2004.

Lead sets:

Switching leads. Copper tube lugs. Crocodile clips as optional accessory.

Advanced features:

The Smart Interrupter provides switching patterns compatible with Radiodetection's Stray Current Mapper (SCM) and Precision Pipe Locator (PPL) products and PCM/A-Frame for ACVG surveys.

Corrosion

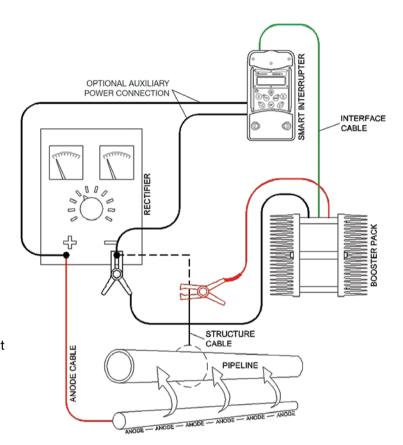
Corrosion is an electrochemical reaction and all metallic structures will corrode, it is just a question of how quickly. Metals, when immersed in an electrolyte, such as soil, water, or concrete, produce a current and it is the rate of flow of this current that determines the life of the metal structure.

The job of the corrosion engineer is to slow down this process. Cathodic protection is one of the techniques available. On a buried pipeline, a current will flow from the anode (positive) to the cathode (negative) creating anodic corrosion. By making the pipeline negative with respect to the surrounding earth we apply Cathodic Protection holding back corrosion on the target structure. This is achieved by an external power supply (usually rectified mains) applying a current onto the pipeline.

Cathodic Protection Systems are most effective with proper monitoring and this becomes all the more important when considering the age of buried services and the environmental and safety threat from a damaged pipe. Regular surveys, which may include close interval surveys (CIS) need to be made to determine the effectiveness of the protection. With the amount of pipeline in the ground, it is important that such surveys are able to be carried out quickly, consistently and effectively.

The Smart Interrupter has been designed to meet these needs, addressing the range of old and new services across different soil types. It is a robust and easy to use tool enabling the corrosion technician to effectively monitor the effectiveness of the CPS system without having to connect to the pipeline or dig down to the pipeline.

The new Radiodetection Smart Interrupter delivers higher voltage interrupt at high currents with improved overvoltage protection. Multiple units can be synchronized via GPS. Radiodetection has paid particular attention to the safe running temperature of the SI220 and the Booster.





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